## **DEFINITIONS**

## \* Status:

NC: (There is no State protection for odonates in NC and thus no official status. SR and W are NC NHP designations only.) SR = Significantly Rare; status given by the NC Natural Heritage Program, which tracks the species in its database.

W = Watch List; not tracked by the NC Natural Heritage Program, but species is scarce and NHP wishes to obtain records; may track at a later date.

US: FSC = Federal Species of Concern

Rank: NatureServe gives each plant and animal species a global rank of rarity, and each state Natural Heritage Program gives each species occurring within its borders a state rank of rarity. Thus, each species has a global and state rank. For each species, the S# varies from state to state, depending on rarity (number of records, threats, etc.).

## State:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Number of Extant Populations</u>	
S1	1-5	Critically imperiled in North Carolina because of extreme rarity or because of some factor(s) making it especially vulnerable to extirpation from North Carolina.
S2	6-20	Imperiled in North Carolina because of rarity or because of some other factor(s) making it very vulnerable to extirpation from North Carolina.
S3	21-100	Rare or uncommon in North Carolina.
S4	101-1000	Apparently secure in North Carolina, though it may be quite rare in parts of its range, especially at the periphery.
S5	1001+	Demonstrably secure in North Carolina, though it may be quite rare in parts of its range, especially at the periphery.
SA	1?	Accidental or casual; one to several records for North Carolina, but the state is outside the normal range of the species.
SH	0	Of historical occurrence, perhaps not having been verified in the past 20 years, and suspected to be still extant.
SU	1?	Unrankable - Currently unrankable in North Carolina due to lack of information or substantially conflicting information about status or trends. Need more information.
SE	1+	Exotic, not native (or presumed not native) to North Carolina.

Global: Global ranks are similar to state ranks except "in North Carolina" is replaced by "globally", and "extirpation from North Carolina" is replaced by "extinction", and there is no Global Exotic (GE) rank.

